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Letter dated 6 March 2017 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith humanitarian and information bulletins from the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period from 28 February to 6 March 2017 (see annex).

I should be grateful if this letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (28 February 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

The Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides carried out eight humanitarian operations: six in Aleppo city, one in Damascus city and one in Kassab in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

In Aleppo city, 4.8 tons of bottled drinking water and 0.94 tons of bread were delivered to the Hananu, Balad, northern Old Aleppo and Shaykh Maqsud districts and to schools (in the Salihin and Ashrafiyah districts).

The residents of Kassab (Ladhiqiyah governorate) received 4.28 tons of food and 1 ton of urgent necessities, clothing and blankets.

In Damascus city (Wafidin district), 2.4 tons of food were delivered to civilians.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 3,720 residents. In total, 13.42 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Russian airplanes parachuted 20.3 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food products) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which was received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (1 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, three ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas in Abu Rabi' and Damis in Hama governorate, and with Tall al-Kurdi in Damascus governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,281.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 110.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) since 1 January 2017 remains unchanged at 72.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 64.1 square kilometres. A total area of 2,352.2 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported 10 violations in the following governorates: 4 in Damascus, 4 in Ladhiqiyah and 2 in Hama.

The Turkish representative office reported 14 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 4 in Damascus, 3 in Hama, 3 in Idlib, 2 in Dar'a, 1 in Aleppo and 1 in Homs.

During its investigations of these incidents, the Russian representative office was unable to confirm the 14 violations.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (1 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out seven humanitarian operations: six in Aleppo governorate and one in Homs governorate.

In Aleppo city, 0.94 tons of bread and 3,000 portions of hot food were distributed (to the Hananu al-Ummaliyah, Qasilah and Shaykh Maqsud districts, to mosques in the Maqar al-Anbiya' and Hamdaniyah-3 districts, and to a student hostel in the Shahba' al-Qadimah district).

In Wadi Dhahab (Homs governorate), 3.29 tons of food, medicine and non-food items were distributed.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 4,700 residents. In total, 4.95 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by other States and international organizations

Russian airplanes parachuted 20.4 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food products) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which was received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (2 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire agreements have been signed with Uyun al-Sha'rah (Homs governorate) and Habash (Damascus governorate).

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,283.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 111.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 73.5 square kilometres. A total area of 2,425.7 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported five violations: four in Damascus governorate and one in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported seven violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: four in Homs, two in Damascus and one in Aleppo.

During its investigations of these incidents, the Russian representative office was unable to confirm the seven violations.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (2 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out eight humanitarian operations in the following governorates: six in Aleppo, one in Ladhiqiyah and one in Suwayda'.

A total of 0.94 tons of bread, 500 portions of hot food, 400 food parcels and 6 tons of drinking water were delivered to civilians in Aleppo city (to the Jibrin temporary accommodation facility for civilians, to the Hananu, Bayadah and Shaykh Maqsud districts and to schools in the Ashrafiyah and Akramiyah districts) and in Risas (Suwayda' governorate).

Sixty sets of gifts, games and school supplies were distributed to children in the Masa'i Khayriyah Orphanage in Ladhiqiyah city.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 3,200 residents. In total, 10 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by other States and international organizations

Over the past 24 hours the United Nations and partners have continued to provide medical, psychological and legal assistance to the Syrian Arab Republic. Work is also continuing to restore infrastructure and provide temporary accommodation to those in need.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (3 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, eight ceasefire agreements have been signed with Ghabaghib in Dar'a governorate, with Hawayir, Jadidah and Kaf Yahud in Hama governorate, with Sath al-Ifrit, Wardiyah and Zawr al-Mazra'ah in Homs governorate and with Kawm al-Wayisiyah in Qunaytiryah governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,291.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 114.

Syrian government forces have liberated 91 populated areas from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 186 square kilometres. A total area of 2,611.7 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported 11 violations in the following governorates: 7 in Ladhiqiyah, 2 in Damascus, and 2 in Hama.

The Turkish representative office has reported 13 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 5 in Damascus, 3 in Aleppo, 3 in Homs, 1 in Dar'a and 1 in Hama.

During its investigation of these incidents, the Russian representative office confirmed one ceasefire violation. It has not confirmed the other 12 incidents.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (3 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out seven humanitarian operations in Aleppo city, during which 1 ton of bread, 3,000 portions of hot food and 350 food parcels have been distributed to civilians in the Tishrin, Qadi Askar, Ballat, North New Aleppo, Shaykh Maksud and Sulaymaniah districts.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 3,350 residents. In total, 3.4 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Russian airplanes parachuted 20.4 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food products) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which was received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (4 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Hawsh Mubarak in Damascus governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,292.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 115.

Syrian government forces have liberated 97 populated areas from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 56 square kilometres. A total area of 2,667.7 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported four violations in the following governorates: two in Hama, one in Damascus and one in Ladhiqiyah.

The Turkish representative office has reported 12 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 8 in Aleppo, 1 in Damascus, 1 in Dar'a, 1 in Homs and 1 in Ladhiqiyah.

During its investigations of these incidents, the Russian representative office was unable to confirm the 12 violations.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (4 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out two humanitarian operations: one in Aleppo governorate and one in Damascus governorate.

One ton of bread and 1,000 food parcels were distributed to Manbij in Aleppo city.

Four hundred food parcels were delivered to the residents of Dahiyat al-Assad in Damascus governorate.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 2,120 residents. In total, 8 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Over the past 24 hours the United Nations and partners have continued to provide medical, psychological and legal assistance to the Syrian Arab Republic. Work is also continuing to restore infrastructure and provide temporary accommodation to those in need.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (5 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire agreements have been signed with Jurayjis and Suwayri in Hama governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,294.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 115.

The number of populated areas which Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) has increased to 99.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 22.7 square kilometres. A total area of 2,690.4 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported six violations: four in Damascus governorate and two in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported 15 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 6 in Aleppo, 5 in Homs, 2 in Hama, 1 in Damascus and 1 in Idlib.

During its investigations of these incidents, the Russian representative office confirmed one ceasefire violation. It has not confirmed the other 14 violations.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (5 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out eight humanitarian operations in the following governorates: six in Aleppo, one in Ladhiqiyah and one in Suwayda'.

One ton of bread and 3,000 portions of warm food were delivered to the residents of districts in Aleppo city.

Four hundred food parcels were delivered to residents.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 3,908 residents. In total, 4.5 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Over the past 24 hours the United Nations and partners have continued to provide food, medical, psychological and legal assistance to the Syrian Arab Republic. Work is also continuing to restore infrastructure and provide temporary accommodation to those in need.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (6 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, 23 ceasefire agreements have been signed with Fiq, Subaynah, Masharah, Suwaysah, Marum Ughlan, Kiswah al-Gharbi, Qadsiya al-Nazihin, Sayah, Khushniyah, Mukaybah, Zabdin, Ayzadij, Umm Batinah, Battikh, Hamidiyah, Bab al-Sahr, Artuz, Arsiyah, Mafraq Sakhirah, Jayd al-Fadl, Jubbata al-Khashab and Qunaytirah in Qunaytirah governorate and with Budi in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,317.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

Over the past 24 hours, six application forms have been signed. The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 has increased to 121.

The number of populated areas which Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) has increased to 106.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 43.3 square kilometres. A total area of 2,733.7 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported 12 violations in the following governorates: 6 in Damascus, 3 in Ladhiqiyah and 3 in Hama.

The Turkish representative office has reported 27 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 8 in Damascus, 7 in Aleppo, 4 in Idlib, 3 in Homs, 2 in Dar'a, 2 in Hama and 1 in Ladhiqiyah.

During its investigations of these incidents, the Russian representative office confirmed one ceasefire violation and was unable to investigate two violations. The other 24 incidents have not been confirmed.